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The RM is both unnecessary and wasteful. As such, it should be denied.

The current "band plan" for 160 meters works fine. The petitioners provide no valid documentation for the change. Further, if the RM is enacted, it would represent an additional burden on the FCC to provide enforcement. This amounts to silly and needless over-regulation to serve the selfish interests of a small minority of amateur radio operators. Their numbers represent and even smaller minority of the general population.

As both an amateur radio operator and a taxpayer, I recommend denial of this RM.